



Grades 9-12 InWorld OPSPARC Mentor Tasks and Checklist

- ☐ Step 1: By **February 15, 2016** register to lead an InWorld OPSPARC Team. *Information within your registration will be verified and you will be notified when you are selected to become a team mentor.*
- ☐ Step 2: Between **February 15 – March 8**, work with the NIAUniverse Master and Tech Squad Specialists to design and build your Team World.
- ☐ Step 3: Between **March 8 – 10**, select your team from submitted *Glogster Multimedia Posters (Glogs)*. *Glogs* will be available for review starting **March 8, 2016**.
- ☐ Step 4: As soon as you have selected your team, contact your teammates and arrange a meeting (through Google Hangout, Skype, or another tool).

During this meeting:

- Share your strengths and weaknesses as a mentor.
 - Discuss ways to learn about your team mates' interests, strengths, and weaknesses.
 - Match schedules to find specific times when you can work together.
 - Bring your team into your virtual Team World.
 - Sign up and prepare for a *Design Review* with a Subject Matter Expert. *Design Reviews* will be scheduled for **March 15, 16 and 17, 2016**.
- ☐ Step 5: **March 15, 16, or 17, 2016**. Meet with a Subject Matter Expert for a *Design Review*. The *Design Review* will be completed in Adobe Connect. An audio recording will be archived for your use.
- ☐ Step 6: From the time you select your team until **March 28**, work as a team to **Build Knowledge Spaces** in your Team World. Review

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details within **InWorld Rubric 1** so you are well aware of how your work will be evaluated.

- Visit the sample Team Worlds for ideas on how to build knowledge spaces and models.
- Work with your team to plan the best way to organize and design the Knowledge Spaces and 3D visual models.
 - A **Knowledge Space** is any place that showcases important information about the project.
 - Most often, this information is posted in signs, images, or short video clips. These are placed around your Team World.
 - You may also include additional information using links to important websites, audio files, or video files within the **Knowledge Space**.
 - **Models** can come in many shapes, sizes, and formats.
 - For this challenge, you will build two models:
 - One depicting the mission's original technology or spinoff technology.
 - One depicting your team's original spinoff ideas.
- Step 7: **March 28 – April 1, 2016** – Continue working in your Team World. Your team will receive Formative Assessment from evaluators using **InWorld Rubric 1**. This assessment is to help your team make improvements in the Team World.
- Step 8: **April 1 – April 8** – Continue to improve your Team World based upon the Formative Assessment.
- Step 9: **April 8 – April 14, 2016** – Worlds will CLOSE for Final Review.
 - Your Team World will close at **5:00 PM ET April 8, 2016** for final review. Team Worlds will reopen at **5:00 PM ET on April 14, 2016** for the five finalist teams.
- Step 10: **April 14 – 25, 2016** – The *five finalist teams* will prepare for the InWorld Tour and Q&A with the Evaluation Team.



- Step 11: **April 27 – 28, 2016** – Each of the five finalist teams will have sign up for 30 minutes to run a “real-time” InWorld tour and Q&A session with the Evaluation Team.
 - ***This task will determine the winning team. Your team should be prepared to:***
 1. greet visitors in the OPSPARC Public Space;
 2. move a group from the Public Space to your Team World, and back from your Team World to the Public space;
 3. lead a group (at least five people) through your Team World; and
 4. answer questions about your team work and design solution.
 - ***Review InWorld Rubric 2 to be sure you are aware of evaluation criteria including the importance of having all team members participate equally.***
- Step 12: The winning team will be announced **May 2, 2016**. Winning teams will be invited to NASA Goddard Space Flight Center for an award ceremony, behind the scenes tours, and special workshops **June 28 and 29, 2016**.